



World's Largest Living Christmas Tree - Event Schedule and Directions

79th Annual Lighting of the World's Largest Living Christmas Tree

Hilton Park, 407 Hilton Street - Thursday December 4, 2008

5:30 pm to 6:00 pm: NHHS Jazz Band; 6:00 pm: Tree lighting ceremony; arrival of Santa

The 79th Annual Lighting of the World's Largest Living Christmas Tree will be held on Thursday December 4, 2008. The event will feature holiday entertainment provided by the New Hanover High School Jazz Band from 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm with the tree lighting ceremony beginning at 6:00 pm, followed by the arrival of Santa.

Visit Santa!

Hilton Park, 407 Hilton St.

Thursday December 4, 2008 - Sunday December 7, 2008

Friday December 12, 2008 - Sunday December 14, 2008

Friday December 19, 2008 - Sunday December 21, 2008

6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Have you been naughty or nice? Visit Santa and one of his Elf's to find out before he heads off to deliver presents all around the world! The line to visit Santa closes at 8:30 pm each night so arrive early.

Need Directions?

From Downtown/Cape Fear Bridge/Isabel Holmes Bridge

Take 3rd Street north to MLK Pkwy. (3rd St. becomes MLK Pkwy); continue on MLK taking the McRae Street exit (your first exit); at the end of the exit ramp take a left; at next stop sign (Castle Hayne Blvd.) take a left; travel approximately ¼ mile until you reach the end of the road; turn right onto J.E.L. Wade Blvd; the Christmas tree will be at the end of the road.

From I-40/College Road Area

Take MLK Parkway west towards downtown; take the Burgaw exit and get into your left lane immediately at the end of the exit ramp; turn left at first intersection onto Castle Hayne Road; travel on Castle Hayne Road (turns into Cornelius Harnett Dr.) approx. 1 mile until you reach the end of the road; turn right onto J.E.L. Wade Blvd.; the Christmas tree will be at the end of the road.

